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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
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(37 C.F.R. 1.28(a))

SUBMISSION OF STATEMENT

☒ Applicant claims small entity status.

REFUND REQUEST AND MANNER OF REFUND

This request for refund is made **within three months** of the date a fee was paid in this application, on June 15, 2004, for Missing Parts Surcharge for late declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1,16(e), in the amount of \$130.00.

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Title: ALKYL-LINKED NUCLEOTIDE COMPOSITIONS

STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2)) – SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am:

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: Serenex, Inc.
ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: 323 Foster Street, Durham, NC 27701-2102

I hereby state that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. 121, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
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☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern, or organization having rights in the invention must file separate statements as to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(1) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2), or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(3).

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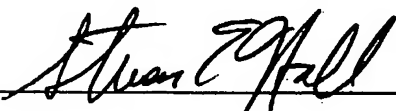
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